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## REMARKS

Claims 64-96 are pending in the subject application.

## Obviousness-type Double Patenting

On page 2 of the November 17, 2004 Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 64-96 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent No. 6,124,331.

In an attempt to advance the prosecution of the subject application, but without conceding the correctness of the Examiner's position, applicants enclose herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c). The Terminal Disclaimer states that the captioned application and U.S. Patent No. 6,124,331 are commonly owned.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw this rejection.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided.

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